

ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

[0069] An information tracking device receives content data, such as a video or television signal from one or more information sources and analyzes the content data according to a query criteria to extract relevant stories. The query criteria utilizes a variety of information, such as but not limited to a user request, a user profile, and a knowledge base of known relationships. Using the query criteria, the information tracking device calculates a probability of a person or event occurring in the content data and spots and extracts stories accordingly. The results are index, ordered, and then displayed on a display device.